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Name of Assignee:

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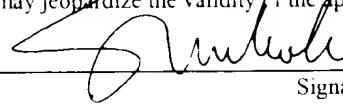
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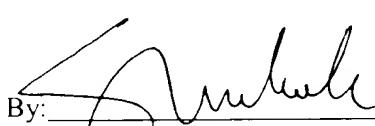


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The KLA-Tencor Corporation, sole assignee of U.S. Patent No. 5,717,204, consents to the filing of reissue application No. 09/502,120 for the reissue of U.S. Patent No. 5,717,204.

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